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SUBJECT: US-MEXICAN TRADE

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1. DURING VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO MEXICO, PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO RAISED QUESTION OF COMPLEMENTARY EXPANSION OF US-MEXICAN TRADE. WE UNDERSTAND BY THAT THAT PRESIDENT WAS SEEKING IDENTIFICATION OF SECTORS IN WHICH MEXICO COULD REASONABLY EXPECT TO EXPAND EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON SEASONAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS; AT THE SAME TIME
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HE RECOGNIZED THAT TRADE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE U.S. IN MEXICAN MARKETS WOULD BE A NECESSARY COUNTERPART TO IMPROVED ACCESS FOR MEXICAN GOODS TO THE U.S. MARKET.

2. WE HAVE MEXICAN REQUEST LIST ON MTN AGRICULTURAL AND NONTARIFF MEASURES AND EXPECT TO RECEIVE REQUEST LIST ON INDUSTRIAL TARIFFS IN NEAR FUTURE. HOWEVER, IT WOULD

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BE HELPFUL TO US IN OUR CONSIDERATION OF FOLLOW-UP TO THE VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO HAVE ADDITIONAL DATA AND ANALYSES GOM MAY HAVE UNDERTAKEN. AS INDICATED REF TELCON, WE BELIEVE VISIT OF SECRETARY BERGLAND MAY BE

OPPORTUNITY TO GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM GOM ON SEASONAL COMPLEMENTARITY OF U.S. AND MEXICAN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION. AS EMBASSY IS AWARE, COMPLEMENTARY EXPANSION OF TRADE HAS BEEN RAISED BY GOM ON SEVERAL PREVIOUS OCCASIONS BUT THEY HAVE NOT PROVIDED ADDITIONAL DETAIL.

3. IN ADDITION, GOM DATA AND ANALYSIS WOULD BE USEFUL CONCERNING ANY OTHER TRADE ITEMS WHICH MIGHT OVER MEDIUM TERM REFLECT COMPLEMENTARY ASPECTS OF U.S. AND MEXICAN ECONOMIES AND THAT WOULD PROVIDE GUIDE FOR EXPORT-ORIENTED PRODUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING. VANCE

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